



Nominations needed by March 10 for Organic Council

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MADISON – For those interested in serving on the Wisconsin Organic Advisory Council, nominations are due by March 10. The Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) is accepting nominations for four open seats.

Seats are available for an organic farmer, representative from an organic business, representative from a non-profit and an 'at-large' seat. People can choose to self-nominate or nominate someone else.

The Wisconsin Organic Advisory Council works to advise government agencies and organizations on critical organic issues and supports organic production, processing and purchasing opportunities. Wisconsin ranks second in the nation for the number of organic farms.

Members serve three-year terms and attend quarterly meetings. Selected Council members will begin their service at the July meeting.

A two-page application and two letters of recommendation are needed for each nomination. All nominations will be reviewed by a committee, and selections will be approved by the DATCP Secretary and Board.

The application and Council information is available at http://datcp.wi.gov/Farms/Organic_Farming/Advisory_Council. For questions, contact DATCP's Mike Bandli at 608-224-5136 or mike.bandli@wi.gov.

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